





Joint Information Center - JIC Release No. 897 December 21, 2021, 5:20 p.m. (ChST)

# COVID-19 Test Results: 17 New Cases, 6 Hospitalized; COVID-19 Vaccination Verification Center Closed; COVID-19 Vaccination and Testing Closed Friday and Saturday; Additional COVID-19 Updates

## Six Hospitalized for COVID-19

CENSUS as of 5 p.m.	GMH	GRMC	USNH	TOTAL
COVID-19 Admission	4	1	1	6
Pediatric Admissions	0	-	-	0
ICU	1	0	-	1
Ventilator	1	0	-	1

VACCINE STATUS	VACCINATED	UNVACCINATED	INELIGIBLE (0-4 years old)
Hospitalized	4	2	0
Total in Population*	128,335	13,272	12,229
Rate per 100,000 Population	3	15	0

SPECIAL NOTE: Based on today's data, if we were to compare two (2) hypothetical populations of 100,000 people each, vaccinated versus unvaccinated, there would be 3 vaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19 compared to 15 unvaccinated people hospitalized for COVID-19. The risk of being hospitalized for COVID-19 is about 5 times higher for the unvaccinated as compared to the vaccinated. \*Estimated population is based on DPHSS Immunization Program analysis of 2020 Census data. Updates are expected pending further Census 2020 data breakdown.

#### **COVID-19 Test Results: 17 New Cases of COVID-19**

Today, the Department of Public Health and Social Services (DPHSS) reported **seventeen (17)** new cases of COVID-19 from **684** tests on December 20. Two (2) cases were identified through contact tracing. One (1) case reported recent travel history and was identified in quarantine. To date, there have been a total of **19,407** officially reported cases, **270** deaths, **228** cases in active isolation, and **18,909** not in active isolation. The CAR Score is **0.9**.

# **Guam COVID-19 Vaccination Update**

As of December 20, a total of **128,335** of Guam's eligible population (residents 5 years and older) is fully vaccinated. This total includes **12,538** residents 12 - 17 years old. **4,380** residents 5 - 11 years old received their first dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech two dose series. **2,031** residents 5 - 11 years old have completed their two-dose series. An additional **142** residents received their booster shots and a total of **36,363** booster shots have been administered to eligible residents since September 29, 2021.

## **COVID-19 Vaccination Verification Center Closed**

As of Friday, December 17, 2021, the University of Guam (UOG) Call Center that was stood up to assist DPHSS with requests for vaccination verification has been closed. The service was previously provided in line with <u>DPHSS Guidance Memo 2020-11 REV 11</u>, for individuals who

received the COVID-19 vaccine on Guam. To request for a vaccination verification, you may contact the Guam Immunization Program Office at 671-735-7143 between 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

In accordance with <u>DPHSS Guidance Memo 2020-11 REV14</u>, travelers vaccinated in Guam, whose vaccination information are verifiable utilizing the WebIZ application, will not be required to present a secondary form of vaccine verification. Additionally, travelers may now sign a declaration attesting to COVID-19 vaccination under penalty of perjury upon arrival.

# **COVID-19 Booster Shot Eligibility**

Adolescents 16 and 17 years of age who received a Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine (first two doses) are eligible for a single booster shot at least 6 months or more after their initial series. At this time, only the Pfizer-BioNTech booster vaccine is authorized and recommended for adolescents aged 16 and 17.

FREE COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINICS (AGES 5 AND OVER) Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson		
Dec. 22 – 23, Dec. 27 – 30 10 a.m 6 p.m. Sundays: 1 p.m 4 p.m.	DPHSS Northern Region Community Health Center, Dededo Call (671) 635-4418/7400 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme	
Dec. 22 – 23, Dec. 27 – 30	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center, Inalåhan Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518 to schedule an appointment. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. Walk-ins welcome. Curbside vaccination available for people with disabilities. Register at tinyurl.com/covidstopswithme	
Dec. 22 - 23 11 a.m 5 p.m. Dec. 27 - Dec. 30 11 a.m 7 p.m.	University of Guam Field House, Mangilao Register at tinyurl.com/vaxquam Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments will be expedited. Please bring appointment confirmation and proof of identity. Last appointment is 30 minutes before closing. (Closed Dec. 24 – 26, and Dec. 31 – Jan. 2, 2022)	

### Requirements for Minors to Receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine:

- Parent/legal guardian must provide minor's birth certificate
- Parent/legal guardian must have a government-issued photo identification (ID)
- Minor must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian
- Guardians must present legal guardianship or power-of-attorney documents

FREE COVID-19 COMMUNITY TESTING For more information, visit dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing.		
Wednesday, Dec. 22	8 a.m 11 a.m.	Old Carnival Grounds, <i>Tiyan, Barrigada</i> Rapid COVID-19 testing will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis while supplies last. Four per vehicle. No symptoms are needed. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered.

Wednesday, Dec. 22 9 3 - Thursday, Dec. 23 12	a.m 2 p.m.	DPHSS Southern Region Community Health Center, <i>Inalåhan</i> By appointment only for individuals with COVID-like symptoms. Bring a photo ID. Travel-related testing will not be offered. Call (671) 828-7604/5/7518.
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Fill out a <u>COVID-19 Testing Patient Assessment Form</u> ahead of time, available at <u>dphss.guam.gov/covid-19-testing</u>. Individuals waiting for COVID-19 test results must quarantine at home until cleared by DPHSS. Test results are available via email by sending a request to <u>covidresults@dphss.guam.gov</u>

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For the latest information on COVID-19, visit <u>dphss.guam.gov</u> or <u>guamrecovery.com</u>. For inquiries, contact 311 through a local number, or call the Joint Information Center at (671) 478-0208/09/10.